**Selection Criteria and Process**

**Eligibility**

The Tennis Club must:

* be affiliated with Tennis NT;
* demonstrate an inviting culture, accessibility and the ability to attract players/members;
* employ/engage qualified Tennis Australia coach members;
* have completed Club Health Check (CERM) data collection;
* have implemented Tennis Australia participation programs and competitions providing a range of opportunities to the whole community;
* promote social integration and inclusion.
* Use a range of tennis systems, eg: My Tennis, League Manager, Tournaments Planner
* Club must be accessible to community and allow for public court hire
* Have a partnership with a local school through the School Partnership Program or School Play Program

**Nomination Process:**

* Nominations are split up into the six areas that comprise Tennis NT’s Strategic Plan – Participation, Places to Play, Coaches, Talent Development, Tournaments & Competitions and Promotion & Engagement
* All nominations for the 2017 Tennis NT Awards are to be submitted via email to tennisnt@tennis.com.au
* The winners of the NT Award for **Club of the Year** will become the NT nominee for the National Award for **Most Outstanding Tennis Club**

**Selection Process**

The selection panel will give equal consideration to all six areas when assessing and comparing nominations.

The selection panel will be designated by Tennis NT and will consist of voting and non-voting members.

**Assessment Period**

Nominations are required to address the following assessment period:

**1 October 2016 – 30 September 2017.**

**Timeline**

* Nominations close – 5pm on **Tuesday 17 October 2017**
* Awards will be presented at **Tennis NT’s Annual Awards Night** - **Saturday 11** **November 2017**
* NT category winners will be forwarded to Tennis Australia in the relevant category **as nominees** for the Australian Tennis Awards
* NT Award winners and Australian Tennis Awards **finalists** announced at **Tennis NT’s Annual Awards Night**
* Australian Tennis Awards – **Monday 27 November 2017**

***Nomination Form***

**Provide your responses below, addressing each aspect of the criteria**

**Nominee:**

Club / Centre:

Contact Person:

Email:

Phone:

**Submission:**

PARTICIPATION

Describe how your club has contributed to providing opportunity to participate in tennis as a sport for life. (Minimum three examples, maximum 300 words)

Key focus areas:

* The level of club accessibility to the community
* The range and quality of programs delivered including pathways for junior tennis players, Cardio Tennis, Community Play and Hot Shots tournaments and competitions

PLACES TO PLAY

Describe how your club has developed improved venue management outcomes. (Minimum three examples, maximum 300 words)

Key focus areas:

* Financial sustainability of the club
* Sustainable venue management model with increased service delivery capacity

COACH

Provide detail on the quality and breadth of the coaching programs offered at your club. (Minimum three examples, maximum 300 words)

TALENT DEVELOPMENT

Describe how your club has developed athletes with the aim of developing a National Champion the NT can be proud of. (Minimum three examples, maximum 300 words)

TOURNAMENTS & COMPETITIONS

Describe how your club has attracted and retained highly engaged competitive players through tournaments and competitions. (Minimum three examples, maximum 300 words)

PROMOTION & ENGAGEMENT

Provide examples of how your club has created greater awareness of tennis with a focus on the level of promotion of the club and welcoming community invitations to participate i.e. hosting a Free Tennis Day, open to the whole Community. (Minimum three examples, maximum 300 words)

PHOTOS / VIDEO

Supply a minimum of three high-resolution photos and/or video footage supporting your nomination.

**Additional information that will be provided to the selection panel:**

\* Membership retention / growth will be measured through My Tennis

\* Numbers selected in TNT Representative Teams (inc Super 10s)

Please note, the following may be used as part of the Newcombe Medal, Australian Tennis Awards selection process for the Most Outstanding Tennis Club category.

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| 1 | The direct customer feedback the club has received via independent responses from customers and members. Responses may be sought via a customer phone survey and mystery shopper visit |
| 2 | The results of the Club Health Check compared to national medians for clubs in the same group |